

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

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CURRENCY NOTES OF RS.2/- AND RS.5/-
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to print currency notes of Rs.2/- and Rs.5/- denomination in the near future;
- (b) if so, the reasons for again starting printing of these currency notes;
- (c) the expenditure likely to be incurred thereon; and
- (d) the time by which it is likely to be circulated in the market?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance(Shri Balasaheb Vikhe Patil)

(a) to (c): In order to mitigate the problem arising out of shortage of coins in the country, it has been decided to re-start the printing of Rs.5 denomination currency notes. The estimated expenditure to be incurred is likely to be between Rs.650/- and Rs.700/- per 1000 pieces(approximately).

(d): The Rs.5 denomination note is expected to be put into circulation in June, 2001.